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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 471
By Walker

A RESOLUTION To honor and commend Nathan Kokes, the 2001
Cumberland County High School Salutatorian.

WHEREAS, The elite group of students who work extremely hard, overcome tremendous pressure, demonstrate superior academic ability, and make significant contributions to their respective schools and communities are superb role models, and are thus richly deserving of special recognition; and

WHEREAS, The Tennessee General Assembly is very proud to learn of such students, because they are the future of our great State; and

WHEREAS, Nathan Kokes, the 2001 Cumberland County High School Salutatorian, is clearly one such exemplary student; and

WHEREAS, Nathan's quality point average is an admirable 4.5; and

WHEREAS, A member of the prestigious National Beta Club, this distinguished scholar was selected to participate in a Washington, D. C. Youth Leadership Conference; and

WHEREAS, Nathan has maintained his excellent grades, while holding a demanding part-time job at John Smith Pharmacy; and

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WHEREAS, He plans to attend the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga and eventually pursue a career as a physician; and

WHEREAS, Nathan is the son of proud parents, Deborah Jones and Gordon Kokes, the grandson of Melva Ruth McCoy and the late Charles Anderson McCoy, and Mary Jane Kokes and the late Earl Kokes and the great-grandson of Luther Neal and Melva Neal; and

WHEREAS, He modestly states, "It was my Grandma's hard work and determination in life that inspired me to do so well in school. I am thankful for her example."; and

WHEREAS, Nathan also expresses his deep appreciation for the fine example set by Advanced Math and Calculus teacher Velma Buck, Honors English teacher Diane Atkins and Social Studies teacher Tony Brock; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to specially recognize this fine example of American youth; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor and commend Nathan Kokes on his selection as the 2001 Cumberland County High School Salutatorian and wish him much continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.